

**Report to the Kentucky Library Association Board
Special Library Section
March 6, 2011
Lexington, KY**

Joint Spring Conference:

Special Section Chair Virginia McClure and Special Section Chair-Elect Lesley Jackson are both serving on the Joint Spring Conference Planning Committee. The conference will be held April 13-15, 2011 at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. A mailing has gone out to members of Academic Library & Special Library Sections, and the KY Chapter of the Special Libraries Association. Conference highlights include:

- Wednesday Pre-Conference: *Maintaining a Professional Presence* - Mike Crumpton, University of North Carolina at Greensboro,
- Thursday Opening Session: Ruth Kneale, Systems Librarian, National Solar Observatory, Tucson, Arizona. Author of *You Don't Look Like a Librarian: Shattering Stereotypes and Creating Positive New Images in the Internet Age*.
- Friday Closing Session: Leslie Reynolds, Associate Professor and Senior Head for Collections and Services at Texas A&M University and founding editor of *Practical Academic Librarianship: The International Journal of the SLA Academic Division*. She will speak about professional development for librarians, including tenure issues.

The conference brochure: http://www.kylibasn.org/docs/JSC_brochure_FINAL.pdf

Registration: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/8FVJJ8C>

Registration will be open through April 6, 2011. Please note: There will be no on-site registrations.

Lesley Jackson will Chair the 2012 Site Selection Committee for Special Library Section.

Special Section Fall Conference Speaker:

Amy Disch, library director at the *Columbus Dispatch*, Columbus, OH will be the featured speaker for Special Section. The session abstract is included below.

***The Power of Perception:** Perceptions can be misleading, but it is within our power to continually showcase the strength of our work and the value we provide to our respective organizations in order to counter these myths. Amy Disch, Library Director at the Columbus Dispatch daily newspaper in Columbus, Ohio, will discuss the many successes at her library has had and provide examples of how they have supported the mission of and contributed to the success of the Dispatch newsroom.*

Committee Assignments:

**SLS Representatives to KLA Committees
2010-2011**

Communications Committee: Melissa Brooks, Camden-Carroll Library

Member Services: Tom Kmetz, Morehead State University

Recruitment, Mentoring and Diversity: Virginia McClure, Lexington Public Library

Minority Scholarship: Wendy Wood, Northern Kentucky University

Fund Raising: Laura Whayne, University of Kentucky

Strategic Planning: Jan Berry

Library Awareness: Betsy Hughes, Kentucky Virtual Library
And Virginia McClure, Lexington Public Library

SLS Committee Chairs 2009-2010

Membership: Tom Kmetz, Morehead State University

Nominating: Betsy Hughes, Kentucky Virtual Library

Awards: Virginia McClure, Lexington Public Library

Public Relations: Melissa Brooks, Camden-Carroll Library

Joint Spring Conference Planning: Virginia McClure, Lexington Public Library
And Lesley Jackson, Centre College

Local Arrangements (Jenny Wiley 2011 Joint Spring Conference) Lesley Jackson, Centre College
And Virginia McClure, Lexington Public Library

Respectfully submitted,

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